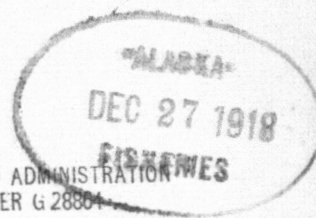


ALITAK PACKING COMPANY

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December
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Mr. H. M. Smith,
U. S. Commissioner of Fisheries,
Dept. of Commerce,
Bureau of Fisheries,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

We are attaching hereto statement of the Alitak Packing Company for the season's operation of 1918 at Alitak, Alaska.

We have to apologize to you for being a few days late with this statement owing to the fact that we had some difficulty in settling with the Austrian fishermen, they refusing to accept the Government price for fish caught in this territory. We have also had some difficulty in settling with our China contractors for labor at the cannery. Some questions have come up concerning the cost per case which we have not been able to settle fully at this time.

We are, however, filling out the report as accurately as possible at this time. There may have to be some adjustments later. It will only effect the total operating expense slightly.

Trusting that you can overlook this delay and regretting that we have not been able to get the report in on time, we are,

Yours very truly,

ALITAK PACKING CO.

L. J. H. M.
Auditor.

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